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The Reader may see his horoscope
many remarkable things worthy of his
choicest observation.

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for the Julian or English and the Roman
heads of Fastivals with their several
days; and Observations upon every Month.

About the several Impetuous and dangerous
dangers which are to be feared.

Written by POOR ROBIN, a Knight of the
Burr-Island, a Well-Wisher to the Mathematicks.

Some will say that this is a new
and do account all our Predictions lies.

These men most ignorant are, as if the Stars
Would contradict our learned Astronomers.

No, what that they predict we all do know.
Doubtless some will say, nor if they'd have it so.

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To the knowing Readers.

M A

IT is an old but a true Proverb, That *One fool maketh many*; this may be exemplified by the multitudes of Spectators, that for several hours together do stand gaping with admiration at the Non-sensical Speeches, and ridiculous actions of a *Jack Pudding*, at *Bartholomew-Fair*, *Southwark-Fair*, *Sturbridge-Fair*, *Mountbancs Stages*, *Dancing on the Rope* &c. where *Merry Andrew* with his screw'd face, and antique postures, bring in his Masters the merry pence. Hence also it is, That we have had of late so many Writings and Pamphlets come out under the Name and Title of *Poor Robin*; as *Poor Robin's Intelligence*, *Poor Robin's winding-shee*, *Poor Robin's Memoirs*, with divers others more than a good many. Indeed I must confess, That as for the first of these, viz. *Poor Robin's Intelligence*, the Author thereof had some wit, though not much wisdom, in venturing so far, as for the breaking of a staff, in the hazard of having many a broken pate, for as *Compounding Dick* said, it is a sad Case, That a Man cannot ply the knave for his own profit; but he must afterwards hear of it in Print. So many people in having their follies and fooleries divulged to the World, do take it in such dudgeon, that if the Author do wear a Doublet, they will as near as they can to sit on the skirts of it, as it seems some of them did on our intelligencing Authors. But he being no sooner down, but out comes a nonsensical piece called, *Poor Robin's winding-shee*, or *Poor Filian*, indeed it might well deserve the Title of *Poor*, being poor both in invention and language; the Author thereof beflowing little wit in it, as having (I suppose) not so great plenty, but that he had occasion for it in some other matters. So he going out like the spuff of a

Candle

Candle in a flink, soon after comes out another Cuslar d
pated fellow with a *Poor Robin's Memoirs*, thinking it
would vend, because (as Horse-couriers use a Jade) he
had put a Ribbon in its foretop to make it sell the better;
although indeed he might even as good have put a Cock's
doodle on his own head; Thus (you see) as there was
a Counterfeit *Richard the Second* in the time of *Henry*
the Fourth; a *Lambert Simnell* and *Perkin Warbeck* in
the Reign of *Henry the Seventh*; and a Shoe makers Son,
who counterfeited himself to be *Edward the Sixth*. So
we have Counterfeits (though less dangerous) in our
age, who counterfeit for *five shillings*; as those before
mentioned did for the Crown; or as the Rascality of our
Nation counterfeited themselves to be *Egyptians*, getting
their Living by telling Country-People their Fortunes;
how that they are near a mischance, when in the mean
time they pick their pockets. But enough of this, if not
too much. Now let me tell the buying Reader, what he
shall have for his money, and so we will conclude our
Epistle; first then here you have an account, how many
months there be in a Year, and how many days there be
in each month; This will also tell ye which are Holy-
days, and which working-days, the changing of the Moon,
and what sign it is in, that those who have a mind to it,
may know, when it is best to queld themselves: here is
also an Account of some Saints and of some Siners; of
the four quarters of the year, and when those Batchel-
lors may marry rich Wives, that can get them: Here are
also several Astrological Predictions and Observati-
ons, as fit for each month as a Gallows for a Thief; Read
then, and like, or dislike all is one to him who is careless
either of your Applause or envy.

The Regal Table.

Kings & Qu. Names	Born anno	Began to Reign.	Reigned Y. M. D.	Since they Reigned.	Buried at
Willi. Conq.	1003	1066 Oct. 14	20 11 02	592 Sept. 9	Can. Norm.
Willia. Ruf.	1057	1087 Sept. 9	12 11 19	579 Aug. 1	Winchester
Henry	11068	1100 Aug. 1	35 4 11	544 Dec. 2	Reading
Stephen	11105	1135 Dec. 2	18 11 1	525 Oct. 25	Evton Charn

The Saxon Line restored.

Henry	2 1132	1154 Oct. 25	35 9 4	490 July 6	Fountains.
Richard	1 1155	1189 July 6	9 9 0	480 April 6	Fountains.
John	1 1165	1199 Apr. 6	17 6 0	463 Oct. 19	Worcester
Henry	3 1207	1216 Oct. 19	56 1 0	407 Nov. 16	Westminster
Edward	1 1239	1272 Nov. 16	34 8 6	372 July 7	Westminster
Edward	2 1283	1307 July 7	19 7 5	353 Jan. 25	Gloucester
Edward	3 1312	1326 Jan. 25	51 3 7	302 June 21	Westminster
Richard	2 1366	1377 Jun. 21	12 3 14	280 Sept. 23	Westminster

The Line of Lancaster.

Henry	4 1367	1399 Sep. 29	13 6 3	166 Mar. 20	Canterbury
Henry	5 1389	1412 Mar. 20	9 5 24	257 Aug. 31	Westminster
Henry	6 1421	1422 Aug. 31	38 6 8	219 Mar. 4	Windſor

The Line of York.

Edward	4 1442	1460 Mar. 4	23 1 8	196 Apr. 9	Winchester
Edward	5 1471	1483 Apr. 9	0 2 18	196 June 22	New London
Richard	3 1483	1483 June 22	2 2 5	194 Aug. 22	Leicester

The Families united.

Henry	7 1455	1485 Aug. 22	23 10 26	176 Apr. 28	Westminster
Henry	8 1491	1509 Apr. 21	17 10 2	131 Jan. 23	Windſor
Edward	6 1537	1546 Jan. 28	6 3 19	126 July 6	Westminster
Q. Mary	1 1518	1553 July 6	5 4 22	121 Nov. 17	Westminster
Q. Elizabeth	1 1533	1558 Nov. 17	4 4 16	077 Mar. 24	Westminster

The Union of the two Kingdoms.

James	1 1566	1601 Mar. 24	22 0 3	054 Mar. 27	Westminster
Charles	1 1600	1625 Mar. 27	23 16 3	031 Jan. 30	Winchester
Charles	2 1630	1648 Jan. 30	Whom God grant long to Reign.		

Lord bleſs our King, that in a happy Peace
He Reign, to make our happineſs encrease;
Direct his Royal heart, and guide his Will,
That he thy ſacred Precepts may fulfill;
Deſend thou him, That he may us deſend,
And gve his enemies all proud Hſman's end.

A Brief Chronology of memorable things.

THE Creation of the world	5684
The Deluge of Noahs flood	4026
<i>Julius Caesar</i> conquered <i>Britain</i>	1732
The Conquest of <i>England</i> by Duke <i>William</i>	612
King <i>Henry</i> the Eighth won <i>Bullen</i>	133
The Royal Exchange was built	1113
The <i>Spanish</i> Invasion in 88	91
The Powder plot	74
King <i>Charles</i> the first crowned	54
The Duke of <i>Buckingham</i> was murdered	31
The Birth of King <i>Charles</i> the second	49
The Duke of <i>York</i> was born	46
The Loyal Lord <i>Strefford</i> was beheaded	38
Reverend Bishop <i>Land</i> was murdered	35
<i>Charles</i> the first was inhumanely murdered	31
The noble Lord <i>Capit</i> was murdered	30
That brave Son of <i>Mars Montrosi</i> was murdered	29
Reverend Doctor <i>Hewit</i> was murdered	21
That blustering Tyrant <i>O.P.</i> expired	21
The happy Restauration of his Majesty	19
The Kings Judges were judged and executed	19
The pious <i>Mary</i> Princess of <i>Orange</i> dyed	19
The vertuous Duke of <i>Glocester</i> departed this life	18
King <i>Charles</i> the second crowned at <i>Westminster</i>	18
The good Queen of <i>Bohemia</i> left this Life	18
The King and Queen were married at <i>Portsmouth</i>	17
The Raging Pestilence reigned in <i>London</i>	14
The sad Conflagration of Fire at <i>London</i>	13

A breif Chronology of other things,

Since the Cheat of Reformation and false Doctrine
made Coblers Commanders, and Colonel *Eaxter* the
Thimble Smith a Conſcienc as dirty as a Black-
smith

38

Query, Whether a Halter would not become ſuch Commis-
sioners better than a Gold Chain?

Since Bonny Frank ſet up a Tipling-School on R—
Green

3

Query, Whether ſhe does not kiſs as ſweet now as when ſhe
was ſo prof.ſſed a Presbyterian?

Since the ſame Bonny Frank danced on the ſaid Green to
the Jew'd tune of Trenchmore

Query, Whether when ſhe danced after the Muſick of the
ſcotch Bag-pipes, a pair of Organs would not have
blown her out of the Pariſh?

Since the famous flying Serpent at Henham in the
Mount

15

Query, Whether that Serpent did not bite a great many
women, and'd ave his venom ever ſince in their Tongues?

Since was publiſhed that learned Book in Quarto, of the
Devil appearing to the Clerk at Earnet

14

Query, Whether the Devil appearing at Barnet did not
cauſe the Angels to appear to the Author and Printer of
that Book at London?

Since the Invention of Lying

3623

Query, Whether that were not a very neceſſary invention
for Hoſe-cuſers, Butchers, and ſome other kind of
Toll-men?

Since briſk Dick drove plough at Uley-hall

6

Query, Whether the ſaid Dick forgot to cry height Get
hoe, and to whiſtle to his Team, that Ballad tune of,
In ſummer time &c.

Since the Lady Errant encountered the Debdanian An.

27

Query, It might not be ſaid of that encounter as it is in
the foot of the Song?

He ſaith ſhe, he raviſh'd her, and he raviſh'd her againe

Since the R. m. Capitol was preserved by a Goose 2813
Query, Whether it were a Taylors Goose, a Winchester
Goose, a Soland Goose, or another Goose?

Since 7. s. the Quaker kissed his maid-Servant, for which
being blamed by his Wife, the reply was, that he took
her to have been she, because that Hagar had given
on Sarah's Wastcoat

Query, Whether this ought to be registred for a vulgar E-
your.

Since the laudable Custom for the Observation of Lent.
Query, Whether that Custom were not very necessary to be
observed still, it being not only a nursery to breed up
Seamen, but also a great means for the Preservation of
the Breed of young Cattle.

The Sea d th will, the Land d th wish,

For sporting f sh to feed or f sh;

Where f sh and fruit of Trees is scant,

Let Butter and Cheese supply that want.

Since Tom the Joyner jump'd into the Well

Query, If his head had been as light as his Wives heels,
he would not have swum upon the water like Cork

Since the Year there were no Apples

Query, Whether that will not make a great Scarcity of Si-
der?

And Bacchanalians then it will be fine,

The Vintners cannot mix it with their Wine.

Advertisement of Remark.

The Stars predict, That two things will be out of fashion;
viz. Good House-keeping and honesty.

T Here is now published that well known and of
ten experienced Medicine, Fletchers Powder;
which radically cures all Diseases in Men, Women
and Children (where recovery is possible) with ease,
speed and safety, sold by Dormin Newman at the
Kings Arms in the Poultry, London. Also the true
Spirit of Scurvy-Grass faithfully prepared according
to Art.

January hath xxxi. Days.

New Moon 2 day at 1 in the Afternoon.
 First quarter 9 day at 5 in the morning.
 Full Moon 16 day at 6 in the Afternoon.
 Last quarter 24 day at 1 at night.

1	a	New years d.	Knees	1
2	b	St. Stephen	Knees	
3	c	St. John	Legs	The Year begins as sweet as honey,
4	d	St. Innocent	Legs	(money)
5	e	2 after Christ.	Feet	With those have wealth and store of
6	f	Twelfth day	Feet	Thereby they need not fear to lack
7	g	Ced. Bish. Lon.	Head	(bark)
8	a	Lucian	Head	Food for the Worms, clothes for the
9	b	Agapete Virg.	Neck	Wenches and Wine they at Commune
10	c	Sun in Aqu.	Neck	(hand)
11	d	W. L. B. Can.	Arms	May have brought ready to thee
12	e	1 after Epiph.	and	My Hostess then she will not fail,
13	f	Wee comes i	should	To serve you with her tongue & trail
14	g	Felicia	Breast	Send if you be awaiting Ryster
15	a	Mauritius	Breast	She'll open like unto an Oyster,
16	b	Kintegern.	Heart	But without coyn you can't accost her
17	c	Anthony	and	No Penny there, no Pater noster,
18	d	Priscilla Virg.	Back	Call what you will it is in vain,
19	e	2 after Epiph.	Bowels	You have your labour for your pain,
20	f	Sebastien	Bowels	Her Taps freeze up, her Barrels dry,
21	g	Agnes	Reins	You are not for her Company,
22	a	Vincent	and	But if with ready Cash you come,
23	b	Term begins	Loins	Her taps unfreeze, Barrels will run,
24	c	Timothy	Secrets	Anon anon Sir: then they cry,
25	d	Con. S. Pau	Secrets	And bring the Flagon by and by.
26	e	3 after Epiph.	Thighs	O money thou art of great force,
27	f	Chrysostom	Thighs	(horse)
28	g	Isid. mag.	Knees	Thou canst command both foot and
29	a	Theodore	Knees	Gold is their God, that canke and rust,
30	b	St. Charles	Legs	Wherewith too many put their trust,
31	c	Cyriac.	Legs	The Golds which they do adore,
				And in all need help and implore,
				Whilst they cry, as being poor,
				Is now adays thrust out of door.

Observations on January.

Now chill pale winter his cold frosts discharges,
And men in Cloaks do muffle up their Noses;
The Gardens now this month afford no posies,
No Cherries, Strawberries, rasp-berries nor roses.

1	W. o hang himself, he	8	83	52	
2	Case is clear,	8	63	54	Mercury now is in the
3	Doth very ill begin	8	4	59	scusp of Taurus, which
4	the year,	8	33	57	r. gnotticater, that
5	Gusman	8	23	58	dumb men will ne-
6	Alderman Hoyle	8	04		over prove good Bal-
7	Lazarillo	7	54		1 his fingers. Ag. in Venus
8	Black Bells	7	57	4	31a Tie e with Mars,
9	Vincent Potter	7	55	4	5 the nights being long
10	The weathers cold,	7	34	4	6 and dark, will be a
11	Charity colder,	7	52	4	8 great help to Thieves
12	Times worse (y worse	7	51	4	9 in the mystery of pur-
13	as men grow older.	7	49	4	11 loynings; however a-
14	Hobbadaboody	7	48	4	12 ay one may venture to
15	Gammer Gurton	7	46	4	14 leave his well abroad
16	Tom Venner	7	45	4	15 with ut danger of be-
17	Rog. Hodgkins	7	43	4	17 ing stolen; and as for
18	Giles Pritchard	7	41	4	19 the implements belon-
19	If titulations of 1b	7	39	4	21 ging to it, there is no
20	flask	7	38	4	22 fear of losing them
21	Do in thy mind	7	36	4	24 because Thieves will
22	now spring afresh	7	35	4	25 be cautious of stealing
23	To wed a Wife than	7	33	4	27 the bucket out of the
24	do not lin,	7	31	4	29 dread they have of the
25	For marring time is	7	29	4	31 rope. The Stars plainly
26	now come in.	7	27	4	33 tell us that Oysters will
27	Tom Tempest	7	25	4	35 be more in season all
28	Vall Cutpurse	7	24	4	36 this month than either
29	August Garland	7	22	4	38 Cherries or green pea-
30	Archee	7	20	4	40 son.
31	Jack Fa'flaff	7	18	4	42

February hath xxviii. Days.

New Moon first day after midnight in the morning.
 First quarter 7 day, at 4 in the Afternoon.
 Full Moon 15 day at noon.
 Last quarter 23 day at 3 after noon.

M.O.	W.O.	Saints days	Signs	The weather still is cold and raw, Which makes the Bigga lie in straw,
1	d	Bridget Fast	Feet	Whilst rich men they themselves do
2	e	Candlemas d	Feet	(arms)
3	f	Blase Bish p	Head	With Fires and Ale to keep them
4	g	Gilbert Con.	and	And by that means without all doubt
5	a	Agathy	Face	(without)
6	b	Dorothy	Head	They'r warm within, and warm
7	c	Zacharias	Neck	(season,
8	d	Sun in Pisces	Arms	If you should walk the fields this
9	e	Safter Epiph.	Arms	(season,
10	f	Burleigh m	Breast	You'll find no cherries, nor green
11	g	Euphrosina	Breast	Nor can you hear, walk hill or dale
12	a	Termends	Heart	The Cuckoo or the Nigtingale;
13	b	Wolfran	and	And sooner men at ib Alehouse take
14	c	Valentine	Back	Than Stool-ball or at Barley-break
15	d	Faustine	Bowels	Wasps eat not up Shopkeepers plumbs
16	e	Septuagesima	Bowels	They lie now under womens tongues
17	f	Wed. goes out	Reins	And that's a reason good you see,
18	g	Simeon	and	Many of them so waspish be;
19	a	Sabine	Loyns	Tba you profess to be their man Sirs
20	b	Mildred	Secrets	You shall have but a waspish answer;
21	c	39 Martyrs	Secrets	For they are crows under each nations
22	d	Peter's Chair	Thighs	Their tongues are in perpetual motion,
23	e	Sexagesima	and	The it doth to small fence belong;
24	f	Matthias Apost.	Hips	For little tattle is all their song,
25	g	John B.	Knees	(to break
26	a	Victorine	Knees	I would cause ones twatling strings
27	b	Fortunatus	Legs	To hear the confus'd noise they make;
28	c	Oswald Bish.	Legs	Yet are they evils necessary,
				Which makes so many men to marry,
				And howsoever we do flout them,
				(them,
				We know not well to live without

Observations on February.

The Term doth end this month, money grows short
In Clients purses thank the Lawyers for it;
Nay, thank themselves; those charges soon would cease
Would they contented be, and live in Peace.

M.D.	Sippers	Sunr.	Sunf.	In the beginning of the month, Mars is in a
1	Now Chandlers trade	7 16	4 44	Trine with Jupiter,
2	gins to decay,	7 14	4 46	hence proceeds a great
3	Candles most part	7 12	4 48	muttering of the Tay-
4	are laid away,	7 10	4 50	lors against the Bakers
5	Yet some still use	7 8	4 52	for making their bread
6	shem out of spight,	7 6	4 54	so little. Venus is ree-
7	Ony Tobacco for to	7 4	4 56	trograde, this will
8	light.	7 2	4 58	cause many men to
9	Bricklay. of Soho	7 0	5 0	break, and afterwards
10	Knave of Spades	6 58	5 2	to compound, yet few
11	Compounding Dick	6 56	5 4	for so little as two
12	Knave of Clubs.	6 54	5 6	shillings in the pound.
13	Ned thinks him self	6 52	5 8	Mercury looks asquint
14	no simple Nidget	6 50	5 10	upon Luna, what the
15	Cause he to Valen-	6 48	5 12	effects of it will be
16	tine Bath Bridget.	6 46	5 14	do not know, only let
17	German Princes	6 44	5 16	me tell ye, I do not
18	Damaris Page	6 42	5 18	like the looks of ft, as
19	Sancho Pancho	6 40	5 20	the Fellow said by his
20	Saturday Jack	6 38	5 22	Wooden God. Though
21	Whore of Babylon	6 36	5 24	the Term be ended,
22	De Vall	6 34	5 26	men are still given to
23	To marry now you	6 32	5 28	contention, which causes
24	must refrain,	6 3	5 30	the breeding of so m-
25	Unles a License you	6 28	5 32	ny young Lawyers, that
26	obtain.	6 26	5 34	it is to be feared, we
27	Harry Martin	6 24	5 36	shall have more than a
28	Mother Bunch	5 22	5 38	good many.

March hath xxxj. Days.

New Moon 2 day, at 9 in the forenoon.
 First quarter 9 day, at 4 in the morning.
 Full Moon 17 day, at 6 in the morning.
 Last quarter 25 day at 2 in the morning.
 New Moon 31 day, at 6 at night.

1 d	David Bishop	Feet	
2 e	Shrove Sund.	Feet	(Coach
3 f	Cunigunda	Head	New Phœbus with his burning
4 g	Shrove Tued.	Head	Doth teache Ram make his approach.
5 a	Asb. Wednesday	Neck	Winter doth to warm weather yield,
6 b	Frideline	Neck	And Mars begins to take the field,
7 c	Aquinas	Arms	Displaying of his bloody Banner,
8 d	Cyprian	Arms	(manner,
9 e	L. Cap. &c. m.	Breast	VVhich havock makes in divers
10 f	Sun in Aries	and	Here Cities are to ashes turn'd,
11 g	Gregory	Stomac	Castles and Hatred Towers turn'd,
12 a	Ember week	Heart	In other places the keen Sword
13 b	Theodore	Heart	Doth severall sorts of deaths afford,
14 c	Leo Bishop	Bowels	(drives,
15 d	Longinus	and	For where keen VVar his fury
16 e	2 Sun in Lent	Belly	How many People lose their Lives,
17 f	Gertrude	Reins	Destroying all both high and low,
18 s	Edward K.	Reins	The Gun no difference doth know,
19 a	Joseph	Secrets	The Souldier and his General
20 b	Cuthbert	Secrets	Do by one Fate together fall ;
21 c	Benedict	Secrets	(bread
22 d	Paulinus	Thighs	Thuse those whom many years have
23 e	3 Sund. in Lent	Thighs	Are in an instant stricken dead.
24 f	Quirin. Fast.	Knees	(VVars,
25 g	Lady day	Knees	Great God preserve us from all
26 a	Castilus	Legs	From Factions and contentious jars,
27 b	Martian	Legs	That we may see our land in peace,
28 c	Dorothy	Feet	And quiet reap our fields increase,
29 d	Walden Fast	Feet	Gathering our Corn into our Barns,
30 e	Walden Sund.	Head	(allarms
31 f	Adeline	Head	Free from fierce Wars most dire
			And that we likewise for the same
			May live to praise thy holy Name

Observations on March.

Don Phœbus (like an honest Trades-man) now ^{up} ^{and} ^{down}
 Doth equal weight to days and nights allow
 The Spring comes on, and that will spare much wood,
 Bushes and Trees, and some Mens fore-heads and

1 Perkin Warbeck	6 15	5 41	Various are the ef-
2 The wind blows cold	6 17	5 43	fects of the Planets this
3 frosts still are rife,	6 15	5 45	month: ^{Saturn} being
4 the close in Bedabon	6 15	5 47	in the Cusp of the left
5 to thy Wife.	6 11	5 49	buckle of Orion's Gir-
6 Ludlow the Leveller	6 9	5 51	dle, ^{Mercury} indicates a
7 Valentine Walton	6 6	5 54	great deal of green
8 Mother Damnable	6 4	5 56	at the fifth day
9 Cambury Bell	6 2	5 58	of this month, ^{Venus}
10 Devil of Malcon	6 0	6 0	being retrograde to
11 Gregory Clement	5 58	6 02	^{Mercury} , and in crime
12 Abstain from flesh, be	5 56	6 04	with ^{Venus} , denotes a
13 not a Glutton,	5 53	6 07	great institution of
14 Especially keep from	5 51	6 09	pancakes and fritters
15 she ^{must} ^{not} ^{eat} ^{fat} ^{meat}	5 49	6 11	about the third and
16 Merry Andrew	5 47	6 13	fourth days, and ^{Mercury}
17 Hobson the Carrier	5 45	6 15	in opposition to ^{Mer-}
18 James Naylor	5 43	6 17	cules, it is as plain as
19 Jack Cade	5 41	6 19	the Nose on a mans
20 Massanello	5 39	6 21	face, that there will
21 Whist we drink drunk	5 37	6 23	be a great slaughter
22 our selves,	5 35	6 25	of Cocks, at the same
23 With wenchery dally	5 33	6 27	time about the twenty
24 old age up a st.	5 31	6 29	fifth day of the month
25 unawares doth fully	5 28	6 31	will be very cheerful,
26 Mother Redcap	5 26	6 34	comfortable weather,
27 Madam Creswell	5 24	6 36	both to Landlords,
28 Committee of safety	5 22	6 38	and those that have
29 George a Green	5 20	6 40	buried scolding
30 Garagantua	5 18	6 42	Wives.
31 Jack rudding	5 16	6 44	blown

April hath xxx. Days.

Fift quarter 7 day at 6 in the Afernoon.

Full moos 14 day, at 10 at night.

Last quarter 23 day at 9 in the fore noon.

New Moos 30 day at 2 in the morning.

1	g	Theodore	Neck	This month A Prology dreeds,
2	a	Mary Egypt	Neck	(fells,
3	b	Richard Bish.	Arms	Shall have most various strange of
4	c	Ambrose	and	Some men shall flourish fine & brave
5	d	Vincent	Shoul.	And live by playing of the knave;
6	e	Paffion	Break	Whilſt others with great industry
7	f	Perpetra	Breast	shall hardly thrive by honesty,
8	g	Dionysius	He re	(struck
9	a	Valerian	ea art	For Fortune blind such chance hath
10	b	Sun in Taurus	Bowels	The bigger knave, the greater luck;
11	c	Leo	and	Although their pretences are good
12	d	July Bishop	Belly	They'll play the Knave like to--
13	e	Sunday	Reins	(wris
14	f	Flavins	Reins	But Reader, thought what here is
15	g	Olympia	Secrets	Use honesty and practise;
16	a	Midw. Bish.	Secrets	For 'tis a saying well lie,
17	b	Monday Thurs.	Secrets	Honesty is best Policy,
18	c	Good Friday	Thighs	Honest is honestest confounding,
19	d	Empere	Thighs	(allg
20	e	Easter day	Knees	To gain and cheat men by compoun-
21	f	First of May	Knees	May all they who do thus do wrong,
22	g	Last of April	Legs	Now walk to hear the Cuckoo sing,
23	a	St. George	Legs	And if her music they love dearly,
24	b	Wilsie	Legs	(nearly,
25	c	Mark Evang.	Feet	O may her song concern them
26	d	Gile	Feet	(know
27	e	Low Sunday	Head	And that each one the same may
28	f	Wednesday	Head	Adoons fast on their heads grow,
29	g	C. Bushel	Neck	Thus being to knavery led a king,
30	a	Erkenwald	Neck	They'll now be so catching;
				Their Foreheads may have constant
				(know
				And by that sign we may them
				For knaves where they that they go.

Observations on April.

The earth now puteth on her Summer Suit,
The Birds do chirp and sing, that late were mute.
The Trees are cloth'd with leaves, Lambs leap & play
And Cuckow, Cuckow, you may hear each day.

1	Hewson the Cople	5 14	6 46	Saturn is in a sextile
2	The warming-pan is	5 12	6 48	opposition with Mer-
3	laid aside,	5 10	6 50	cury, let women be-
4	Noehandrow hath	5 8	6 52	ware of green gowns,
5	this place supply, it	5 6	6 54	great ment of the
6	Collier of Croyden	5 4	6 56	stone and Collick,
7	John Lilburn	5 2	6 58	and Costermongers
8	Doctor Faustus	5 0	7 00	rotten pippens.
9	Owen Rowe	4 58	7 2	Again Mars is robust
10	As an old saying,	4 56	7 4	with Luna, which
11	That Cuckolding and	4 54	7 6	shall cause children
12	the small Fox comes	4 52	7 8	to be subject to Con-
13	with a fear	4 50	7 10	vulsion thro' young
14	Frank the Fidler	4 49	7 11	wenches to the falling
15	Pope John	4 47	7 13	evil, and old women
16	Tom Tell troth	4 45	7 15	to cough out their
17	Gregory Hangman	4 43	7 17	teeth. Now Lent
18	John Beckstead	4 41	7 19	and enter Easter, when
19	Miles Corbet	4 39	7 21	eating Calfe will come
20	John Okey	4 38	7 22	in season, let the But-
21	Now men and maids	4 36	7 24	chers therefore eat
22	put some away	4 34	7 26	store of Liquors to
23	At Rader break	4 32	7 28	make them lung-wir-
24	and football play	4 30	7 30	ded, for to blow up
25	Fryer Bacon	4 28	7 32	their Veal till it swell
26	Dan Broughton	4 27	7 33	like puff-paste, but his
27	Pacoler	4 25	7 35	counsel they can take
28	Patient Grizel	4 23	7 37	of themselves with-
29	Long Meg of West	4 22	7 38	out any Teaching
30	Sir G. les Goosecap	4 20	7 40	subjugate

May hath xxxi. Days.

First quarter 7 day at 10 in the forenoon
 Full Moon 15 day at 1 in the Afternoon
 Last quarter 22 day at 5 in the Afternoon
 New Moon 29 day at noon

1	b	May day	Arms	
2	e	Amanatus	Arms	
3	d	Invent. Cross	breast	The Proverb says if thou wilt weigh Thy very ill to do in May.
4	e	zafre	Easter breast	But if a slut thou shalt see to his an In January is that cognate.
5	f	Godard	Heart	And February all day know Is ill therein to good a day.
6	g	Jo. Port. Lm	and	
7	a	Term begins	Back	In blustering March when winds do Is also marry with a whore.
8	b	Smallpox	Bowels	And in April when Cuckoo sings A light heart a Wife will bring.
9	c	Greg. Naz.	Bowels	A deform'd Wife is not of Tame Though thou do marry her in June.
10	d	Gordian	Reins	And Reader I do tell thee truly To wed a fool is bad in July.
11	e	Sun in Gemini	and	In August little good is to be had To get a Wife thou art a bad.
12	f	Elstow	in the	And Reader you may remember The same is bad too in September.
13	g	Gematius	se	Thou man doth ill when in October Doth wed a Wife is sold in february.
14	a	Isidore	non	And in November bad is too To wed a Wife with mourning do.
15	b	Daphn	in	December likewise may be I think To take a Wife that hath no thing (will)
16	c	C. Pen rud. m.	in	Thus wed you in what month you The Case is bad if she prove ill.
17	d	Dunstan	of	
18	e	Isidore	Easter	
19	f	Bernard	in	
20	g	Ervin	Reg	
21	a	M. Monte	m.	
22	b	Desiderius	in	
23	c	Inan	Franc.	
24	d	Adelme	B.	
25	e	Regation	Sun	
26	f	Weddings	in	
27	g	Colonus	in	
28	a	German	in	
29	b	C. N. A	fech	
30	c	Petrus	in	
31	d	Wigundus	in	

Observations on May.

Refulgent *Sol* with his triumphant Coach,
Unto the twins doth now make his approach.
Much jollity is every where exprest,
And Cakes and Ale do come into request.

1 Now at Hide-park,	4 18 7 42	<i>Saturn</i> this Month
2 and places by,	4 17 7 43	doth rule the roasts, and
3 Ladies a're in	4 15 7 45	<i>Mercury</i> is his Turn: Spit,
4 their gallantry.	4 14 7 46	for in the Heavens there
5 from Pride	4 12 7 48	are no Jacks; these po-
6 Queen Dick	4 11 7 49	sitions, helped with the
7 Huffing Dick	4 10 7 50	malevolency of the <i>Cuo-</i>
8 Desperate Dick.	4 8 7 52	<i>hows</i> singing, will cause
9 Dick Swish	4 7 7 53	many people to fall de-
10 Cutting Dick	4 6 7 54	spcrately in Love; which
11 Dick of the Cow	4 4 7 55	is, as <i>Epictetus</i> saith, in
12 Conical Dick	4 3 7 57	a Boy, bashfulness; in a
13 Dick of Lichfield	4 2 7 58	Maid, blushing; in a Wo-
14 <i>Jubeo te plurimum sal-</i>	4 0 8	oman, fury; in a young
15 vere.	3 59 8	1 Man, fire; in an old
16 Dick Tarlton	3 58 8	2 Man, folly; for they be-
17 Nitzy Dick	3 57 8	3 ing cold and dry by na-
18 And brisk young Dick	3 55 8	4 ture, and married <i>succi-</i>
19 so fine and tall,	3 55 8	5 <i>penis</i> , to young wanton
20 That late drove Plough	3 53 8	7 Wives, with old doting
21 & Ugley Hall.	3 52 8	8 <i>fanivere</i> in <i>Chaucer</i> , they
22 On Vall	3 51 8	9 begin to mistrust all is
23 Squire Dun	3 50 8	10 not well.
24 Marriot the Eater	3 49 8	11 —She was young and
25 Durty Doll	3 48 8	12 he was old,
26 Now Bonny Frank	3 47 8	13 And therefore he fear'd
27 like Queen of Spade,	3 46 8	14 to be a Cuckold.
28 Is busie in	3 45 8	15 Towards the later end of
29 her Milking-Trade.	3 45 8	15 the month, kissing and
30 Will Goffe	3 44 8	16 Cherries will be in very
31 Cook Lorrell	3 43 8	17 great request with Wom.

June hath x x x. daies.

First quarter 6 day, at 4 in the morning.

Full Moon 13 day at midnight.

Last quarter 20 day, at 9 at night.

New Moon 27 day, at 10 at night.

1	6 after Easter	breast	
2	f Term ends	heart	Now the spiced Cakes and Ale
3	g Erasmus	heart	At Islington are set to sale;
4	a Petronius	bowels	To Nine-pins and to Pigeon-holes
5	b Boniface	and	People they do flock in sholes;
6	c Newbert	belly	Cans. as big as Taylors Thimbles
7	d Robert Ab.	reins	Are whipt up there by lick-wim-
8	e Whit-Sunday	reins	(bles;
9	f Whit-Monday	secrets	The Prentice and the Journey-man
10	g Whit-Tuesd.	secrets	Carry Susan, Kate and Nan
11	a St. Barnaby	secrets	A stew'd Prune forsooth to pick,
12	b Ember week	thighs	For which their snot-galls they do
13	c Anthony	thighs	(lick.
14	d Basil Mag.	knees	Arbors throng'd with Company
15	e Trin. Sunday	knees	There the liquor they do ply,
16	f St. Hieronima	legs	which the Tapsters nimbly bring,
17	g Boroloph Ab.	legs	Whilst the boon blades they do sing,
18	a Marcus	feet	Fill up the bowl to the brim a
19	b Gervase	feet	That our lips in wine may swim a,
20	c Term begins	head	That our Muse may flow
21	d Walbourg	head	And the world may it know,
22	e 1 After Trin.	neck	Fill up our bowl to the brim a.
23	f Echeldred	and	
24	g St. John Bap	throat	He's a Puny cannot swagger,
25	a Amphibalus	arms	Carrouse and yet ne're stagger,
26	b John & Paul	arms	But be soberly drunk
27	c 7 Sleepers	breast	And closely have his Punk,
28	d Leo fast.	breast	He's a Puny cannot swagger.
29	e Peter Apost.	heart	
30	f Com. of Paul	heart	

Observations on June..

But little fear this month of Frosts or snow,
Each Weather-Almanack the same will show ;
For sure that Kalender were out of tune
Should write *December* hot, and frosts in *June*.

1 Fryer Bungey	3 4 2 8 18	Mars now is in the Cusp
2 Argyle	3 4 2 8 18	of <i>Virgo</i> , this denotes
3 The days do to	3 4 2 8 18	that many men shall
4 such heat aspire,	3 4 1 8 19	have more Cousins than
5 Butter will melt	3 4 1 8 19	Kindred, and more Kin-
6 now by the fire.	3 4 1 8 19	dred than Friends. <i>Ve-</i>
7 3 Loggerheads	3 4 1 8 19	nus plays fast and loose
8 Pantagruell	3 4 1 8 19	with <i>Mercury</i> , light hands
9 Tom a Lincoln	3 4 1 8 19	and light heels will be
10 C. Clansey	3 4 1 8 19	very necessary for whores
11 Queen of Moroccto	3 4 1 8 19	and Rogues, but a halter
12 Nick Wood	3 4 1 8 19	stretch them, they know
13 Sir Harry Vane	3 4 1 8 19	that already. <i>Midsummer</i>
14 Tantabilus	3 4 1 8 19	Moon approaches, it
15 Mugleton	3 4 1 8 19	were to be wished that
16 Fryer Tuck	3 4 1 8 19	the Keepers of the two
17 Flying Serpent	3 4 1 8 19	<i>Bedlams</i> might be spoken
18	3 4 1 8 19	to, to have a care of
19 As Gout in age fram	3 4 2 8 18	their prisoners that they
20 Pox in youth proceeds,	3 4 2 8 18	break not forth, and turn
21 So wenching past, then	3 4 2 8 18	speakers at private meet-
22 iealousie succeeds,	3 4 3 8 17	ings. The hot weather
23 The worst disease that	3 4 4 8 16	and a handsome Hostess
24 love and wenching	3 4 4 8 16	will be two great Load-
25 breeds.	3 4 5 8 15	stones to attract men of
26	3 4 6 8 14	Iron, Gallants and Roar-
27 Spanish Curate	3 4 7 8 13	ers to the Ale-house,
28 Simon Meyn	3 4 8 8 12	where the Landladies
29 Doctor Storey	3 4 9 8 11	kiss excuses small flagon
30 Haberdashers Hall	3 5 0 8 10	and misreckonings.

July hath x x x i. daies.

First quarter 5 day, at 9 at night.

Full Moon 13 day, at 10 in the forenoon.

Last quarter 20 day, at 3 in the morning.

New Moon 27 day, at 10 in the forenoon.

1	g	Romwald	bowels	
2	a	Visit. B. Mary	and	On Tobacco.
3	b	C. Ashton m.	belly	
4	c	Ulric.	reins	Tobacco is a Traveller
5	d	To. Chal. m.	reins	Come from the Indies hither ;
6	e	3 After Trin.	secrets	it pass'd Sea and Land
7	f	Demetrius	secrets	e're it came to my hand,
8	g	Chiliau	secrets	And scap'd the wind and weather.
9	a	Term ends.	thighs	
10	b	Ger. & Vow. m.	thighs	Tobacco is a Criticke
11	c	Ius	knees	That still old Paper turneth,
12	d	Sun in Leo	knees	whose labour and care
13	e	4 After Trin.	legs	Is as smoke in the ayr,
14	f	Bonavent.	legs	That ascends from a Rag when it
15	g	Smithin	feet	(burneth.
16	a	Osmond	feet	
17	b	Dr. Levens m.	feet	Tobacco's an ignis fatuus,
18	c	Rosina	head	A fat and fiery vapour,
19	d	Dog-days beg.	head	That leads men about
20	e	5 After Trin.	neck	Till the fire be out,
21	f	Daniel	neck	Consuming like a Taper.
22	g	Mary Magd.	arms	
23	a	Apollinaris	arms	Tobacco is a Whiffeler,
24	b	Christin. Eish.	breast	And crys huff snuff with fury ;
25	c	James Apost.	breast	His Pipe's his Club and Link,
26	d	Anne	heart	He's the Visor that does drink,
27	e	6 After Trin.	and	Thus arm'd I fear not a Jury.
28	f	Panthaleon	back	
29	g	Beatrice	bowels	
30	a	Abdon	bowels	
31	b	German Bish.	reins	

Observations on July.

This Month the weather is so hot, we think
Men will forbear their putting Toasts in Drink;
But if so be they have a mind unto it,
There's no Law 'gainst the same but they may do it.

1	Sir John Mandevill	3	50	8	10	Venus is in her Guber-
2	The dust offends	3	51	8	9	nation, and what then:
3	now more than dirt,	3	52	8	8	Why many Heirs shall
4	And Frosts and Snows	3	53	8	7	come of age before they
5	do little hurt.	3	54	8	6	arrive at years of discre-
6	Ker	3	56	8	4	tion. Mars is exalted, and
7	Muckle John	3	57	8	3	Mercury detrimental, O
8	Merriton Latroon	3	58	8	2	you Suburb sinners of
9	Arise Evans	3	59	8	1	Whetstones-Park & Sodom,
10	Robert Tichbourn	4	0	8	0	trading will grow so low
11	Frank Challoner	4	2	58	as will make you pawn	
12	Will Summers	4	3	57	your white Petticoats;	
13	Mad Bess	4	4	56	scarcely affording you so	
14	Now Husbandmen	4	6	54	much linnen as will serve	
15	with Fork and Rake	4	7	53	for Lint for your pocky	
16	At making Hay	4	8	52	fores. Saturn is still ma-	
17	much pains do take,	4	10	50	levolent, wherefore we	
18	while others they	4	11	49	may safely aver, that	
19	at Ale-house lurk,	4	12	48	where people are mind-	
20	And rather chuse	4	14	46	ed to be dishonest, they	
21	to steal than work.	4	15	45	will be very apt to play	
22	But mark the end	4	17	43	the Knave. Too many	
23	becomes of which,	4	18	42	Tradesmen shall fre-	
24	The one are hang'd,	4	20	40	quent the Ale-house	
25	th' other grow rich.	4	22	38	more than their Shops	
26	John Dixwell	4	23	37	which shall bring them	
	Sir Simon Eyres	4	25	35	to poverty, for the King	
	Ascapart	4	27	33	of Good-fellows doth	
29	Don Diego	4	28	32	commonly prove the	
30	Edmond Ludlow	4	30	30	Queen of Beggars.	
31	Tom a Bedlam	4	32	28	B 2	

August hath xx i. daies.

First quarter 4 day, at 2 in the afternoon.

Full Moon 11 day, at 6 in the afternoon.

Last quarter 18 day, at 10 in the forenoon.

New Moon 26 day, at 1 in the morning.

1	c	Lammas day	reins	Now the ripened ears of grain
2	d	Stephanus	reins	Fall before the labouring Swain,
3	e	7 After Trin.	secrets	Stew'd in sweat with work and
4	f	Aristarchus	secrets	(meat,
5	g	Oswald	thighs	The bed affords him safe retreat ;
6	a	Sixtus	and	where securely sleep he takes
7	b	Donatus	hipps	Free from noises City makes ;
8	c	Cyriacus	knees	Quirks nor quiddities in Law,
9	d	Romanus	knees	Do not trouble him a straw ;
10	e	8 After Trin.	legs	Spanish, French, or German
11	f	Gilbert	legs	(fights,
12	g	Clare Virg.	feet	With no fear his mind affrights ;
13	a	Sun in Virgo	feet	As he little doth possess,
14	b	Eusebius	head	So his cares they are the less ;
15	c	Assump. Mary	head	The moun'd man fears every thing,
16	d	Roch	neck	No such care his mind doth sting ;
17	e	9 after Trin.	neck	His fear only is Rent-days,
18	f	Helena	arms	And for fair weather fervent prays
19	g	Sebaldus	arms	For to Inn his wheat and Rye,
20	a	Mr. Love and	breast	which against the ground doth lye,
21	b	M. Gibbons m	and	Oats, Beans, Lintells, Pease the
22	c	Euf. Andr. m.	stoma.	(quicker,
23	d	Col. Morris m	heart	And Barley which doth make
24	e	Barthol. Ap.	heart	strong liquor ;
25	f	Lewis	bowels	which if you do the Pitcher bang,
26	g	Irenaus	and	will make Cheeks red, and nose cry
27	a	Leg days end	belly	(twang
28	b	Cuthbert	reins	But if you do it too much ply,
29	c	Decol. Jo. Bap.	reins	'Twill make Pwse well as Barrells
30	d	Lucas & L. m	secrets	(dry.
31	e	11 aft. Trin.	secrets	

Observations on August.

Now Cockney having little for to do
Doth to his Kindred in the Countrey go ;
Where having seen them to his cost and pain,
They weary of him, he comes home again.

1 Tom Thumb	4 35	7 25	
2 Dick Tarlton	4 36	7 24	Great differences, dif-
3 Hudibras	4 38	7 22	ferences and debates be-
4 <i>That Husbandman</i>	4 40	7 20	twixt the Coblers and
5 <i>who will not work,</i>	4 41	7 19	the Broom-men who
6 <i>But in the Ale-house</i>	4 43	7 17	should have the prece-
7 <i>now doth lurk,</i>	4 45	7 15	dency or upper hand as
8 <i>Hunger in Winter</i>	4 47	7 13	they walk in the streets ;
9 <i>be his cheer,</i>	4 48	7 12	the whiles the painful
10 <i>And water drink</i>	4 50	7 10	Husbandmen are very
11 <i>instead of Beer.</i>	4 52	7 8	busie in mowing down
12 Tybert the Cat	4 54	7 6	the fruitful fields, a-
13 Witch of Endor	4 56	7 4	mongst which sort of
14 John Downes	4 58	7 2	people you may meet
15 Hobgoblin	5 0	7 0	with many Lords but ve-
16 Whore of Babylon	5 2	6 58	ry few Gentlemen. The
17 Cobler of Gloucester	5 4	6 56	Stars seem to intimate as
18 Charon	5 6	6 54	if the Cut-purses would
19 Bel and the Dragon	5 8	6 52	have great store of em-
20 Penelope	5 10	6 50	ployment about Smith-
21 Green Sleeves	5 12	6 48	field towards the later
22 Pudding-pies	5 14	6 46	end of this month, which
23 Pease Porridge	5 16	6 44	will afterwards cause
24 <i>Jack puddings, Pigs</i>	5 18	6 42	great employment for
25 <i>and pock-y-whores</i>	5 20	6 40	the Hangman, and bring
26 <i>Near Smithfield now</i>	5 22	6 38	an exceeding great cu-
27 <i>are by the scores.</i>	5 24	6 36	stom to the Ropemaker.
28 Tyburn	5 26	6 34	
29 Will Low	5 28	6 32	
30 Betty Evills	5 30	6 30	
31 Squire Ketch	5 32	6 28	

September hath x x x. daies.

First quarter 3. day, at 5 in the morning.

Full Moon 10 day, at 4 in the morning.

Last quarter 16 day, at 7 in the afternoon.

New Moon 24 day, at 6 in the afternoon.

1	f	Giles Abbot	secrets	
2	g	Veronica	thighs	Now the worlds resfulgent eye
3	a	Exit Tyrant	thighs	Runs with less vigor through the
4	b	Theodora	knees	Oysters now in season be, (sky.
5	c	Zacharias	knees	Sack doth with our healths agree.
6	d	Magnus	legs	But if thy Purse have no coin,
7	e	12 after Trin.	legs	Banish then the thoughts of wine.
8	f	Pr. Eliz. died	feet	For no things agree more worse
9	g	Nat. B. Virg	feet	Than wine and an empty Purse.
10	a	Sylvius	head	But if thou have store of Chink,
11	b	Prothius	head	Freely then thy liquor drink;
12	c	Sun in Libra	neck	For 'tis always understood,
13	d	H.D.G. died	neck	That good liquor breeds good blood.
14	e	Holy Rood	arms	And when good blood doth fill the
15	f	Nicodemus	and	(veins,
16	g	Euphemia	should.	Then in health the body reigns.
17	a	Ember week	breast	Towards this months later end
18	b	Victor	breast	Michael stands the Landlords
19	c	Julianus	heart	Friend,
20	d	Fausta Fast	heart	Helpeth them with store of chink,
21	e	Marth. Apo.	bowels	And that will buy meat & drink,
22	f	Samuel	and	Cloathes or whatsoe're you lack,
23	g	Tecla Virg.	belly	And procure a glass of Sack.
24	a	Rupertus	reins	But want Coin, and you want all
25	b	Cleophas	reins	(things,
26	c	Cyprian	secrets	Be they either great or small things.
27	d	Cos. & Dam.	secrets	Many makes the Mare to trot
28	e	15 after Trin.	secrets	But without it nothing's got.
29	f	Mich. Arch.	thighs	Monied fools are counted wise,
30	g	Hierome	thighs	Wit without money all despise.

Observations on September.

September, fatal month, that burnt down London,
By which were many thousand people undone;
Yet thank we thee for killing our Protector,
Who domineer'd like any Holborn Hector.

1	The Tyrant Noll	5	35	6	25	
2	with Nose like fire	5	37	6	23	Saturn is in opposition
3	This months third day	5	39	6	21	to Jupiter; from heresie,
4	he did expire.	5	41	6	19	jealousie and frensie,
5	Jack Bradshaw	5	43	6	17	good Lord deliver us
6	when men by Crimes	5	45	6	15	again Mars is in opposi-
7	for greatness lay,	5	47	6	13	tion to Venus, women
8	Heaven justly frowns,	5	49	6	11	should go abroad but
9	takes them away.	5	51	6	9	thrice all their time, ad
10	Cornelius Holland	5	53	6	7	baptismum, matrimonium
11	Julian Apostate	5	55	6	4	& tumultum. Now Mer-
12	Sue Flavell	5	58	6	2	cury looks askint upon
13	Nimrod	6	06	0	0	DonPhœbus or the Knight
14	Hannam	6	25	58		of the Sun, few men will
15	Laird Warreston	6	45	56		be convinced of Knave-
16	Gregory Norton	6	65	54		ry although it be proved
17		6	95	51		never so plainly to their
18	If thou art minded	6	115	49		faces, yet few (like
19	to punish a Knave,	6	135	47		compounding Dick) will
20	Give him gay clothes	6	155	45		give five shillings to be
21	and wealth to make	6	175	43		proved a Knave. About
22	him brave.	6	195	41		the later end of the
23	For being rich, he soon	6	215	39		month the Stars seem to
24	will change his mind,	6	235	37		intimate some good for-
25	Keep whores, fly out,	6	255	35		tune to be attendant up-
26	set honesty behind.	6	275	33		on Landlords.
27		6	295	31		
28	Lambert Simnel	6	315	29		
29	Sir Hum. Mildmay	6	335	27		
30	Tom Coriat	6	355	25		

October hath x x x i. daies.

First quarter 2 day, at 6 in the afternoon.

Full Moon 9 day, at 11 in the forenoon.

Last quarter 26 day, at 8 in the morning.

New Moon 24 day, at noon.

1	a	Remigius	knees	Now the Term 'gins to approach,
2	b	Leodegar	knees	Quarrels they are set abroad,
3	c	Maximinian	knees	Pro's and Con's now at the Bar
4	d	Francis	legs	Is the Lawyers Civil-war;
5	e	16 aft. Trin.	legs	One would think by their keen
6	f	Faith Virg.	feet	(words
7	g	M. Benson m.	feet	They were ready to draw Swords,
8	a	Pelagia	head	But 'tis for the monys sake
9	b	Denis	head	That they such a coyle do make.
10	c	Wilfride	neck	Be their tongues never so mute,
11	d	Burchard	neck	Money makes them plead thy suit:
12	e	17 aft. Trin.	arms	No bait like silver I say still
13	f	Sun in Scorp.	arms	To catch a Lawyer to thy will,
14	g	J. D. York b.	breast	Yet let me not herein have blame,
15	a	L. Darby m.	breast	Gold will do the very same.
16	b	Gallus	heart	Be thy Cause never so weak
17	c	Audrey Virg.	and	Guineys in thy Cause will speak.
18	d	Luke Evang.	back	Thus you see in great or smal things
19	e	18 aft. Trin.	bowels	Money 'tis that answers all things.
20	f	Caprarius	bowels	Another thing this month appears
21	g	Walden Fair	reins	Has been observ'd this many years,
22	a	S. T. Feth. m.	and	And that is my Lord Mayors day,
23	b	Term begins	loins	When Dung-boats they are painted
24	c	Salome	secrets	And in triumphant manner go(gay,
25	d	Crispine	secrets	To Westminster all in a row.
26	e	19 after Trin.	thighs	The Pageants they the streets do
27	f	Florence Fast	thighs	(grace,
28	g	Sims. & Jude	knees	And people throng in every place.
29	a	Narcissus	and	Mirth and jollity abounds
30	b	Germane	hams	And healths on healths are drunk
31	c	Julian	legs	(in rounds.

Observations on October.

The painful Farmer hath his Harvest in,
And now the Lawyers harvest doth begin,
Which makes the Citizens their Caps up c st
That Monsieur Term is come to Town at last

1	Raiesborough	6	38	5	22	
2	None looks to	6	40	5	20	This month the Term
3	be accounted	6	42	5	18	begins, Clyents open
4	More than a	6	44	5	16	your Purfes if you would
5	Beggar mounted;	6	46	5	14	have your Cause go for-
6	He struts with heart	6	48	5	12	ward, for a man may as
7	full blown,	6	50	5	10	well open an Oyster
8	when honour's on	6	52	5	8	without a Knife, as a
9	him thrown.	6	54	5	6	Lawyers mouth without
10	Charon	6	56	5	4	a fee; but if he were
11	Tom Tram	6	58	5	2	half dead, that would
12	Doct. Lamb	7	0	5	0	(like water to a dying
13	Queen of Sluts	7	2	4	58	man) make him gape,
14	Harrison the Butcher	7	4	4	56	though he could not
15	Scot the Brewer	7	6	4	54	speak. - Mercury now is
16	John Cooke	7	8	4	52	in a Trine aspect with
17	John Carew	7	10	4	50	Mars, this will make ma-
18	Hughkin the Jester	7	12	4	48	ny people to have hard
19	John Jones	7	14	4	46	and untoward thoughts
20	Adiran Scroop	7	16	4	44	in mentioning one ano-
21	Daniel Axtell	7	18	4	42	ther, as the sweet fac'd
22	Now Shoemakers	7	20	4	40	Dick W— exprested,
23	for Crispins sake	7	22	4	38	he could never hear
24	Their bowls of	7	23	4	37	any one to talk of
25	liquor freely take.	7	25	4	35	Knaves, but do what he
26	Sir Giles Goole-cap	7	27	4	33	could he must think of
27	Phelps	7	29	4	31	his Father.
28	Great store of people	7	31	4	29	
29	do repair	7	33	4	27	
30	To see the fight	7	34	4	26	
31	of the L. rd Mayor.	7	36	4	24	

November hath x x x. daies.

First quarter 1 day, at 8 in the morning.

Full Moon 7 day, at 9 at night.

Last quarter 15 day, at 1 in the morning.

New Moon 23 day, at 6 in the Morning.

First quarter 30 day, at 4 in the afternoon.

1	d	All Saints	legs	Cold weather now the Land envi-
2	e	20 after Trin.	feet	(rons,
3	f	Winifrid	feet	which brings In use the toasting-
4	g	Mary P. Or. B.	head	(irons,
5	a	Powder Plot	head	Though somewhere such tools are not
6	b	Leonard	neck	(rise,
7	c	Florentius	neck	A toasting-iron make of a knife;
8	d	Claudius	arms	This is as ancient Sages mention,
9	e	21 after Trin.	arms	A need is the mother of invention;
10	f	Erastus	breast	For herein a deep mysterie lies,
11	g	Nat. E. R.	breast	(What can't the wit of man de-
12	a	Sun in Sagit.	heart	vise)
13	b	Brice	and	Especially when womb doth crave
14	c	Frederick	back	That it some sustenance would have.
15	d	Q. Kath. Born	bowels	Now this same must be understood
16	e	22 after Trin.	bowels	Toast gives to Ale a rellish good,
17	f	Hugh	reins	And some are of opinion clear
18	g	Gelasius	and	It does the like unto strong Beer; (it
19	a	Carol. I. N.	boyns	Now is to know the truth you mind
20	b	Agapine	secrets	Pray try them both and you may
21	c	Pris. Mary.	secrets	(find it,
22	d	Cicely	thighs	For that's a thing without denyal
23	e	23 after Trin.	and	The certainty is in the tryal.
24	f	Chrysogon	hips	
25	g	Conrade	knees	Now Isck'les hang by the wall,
26	a	Line	knees	And Dick the Shepherd blows
27	b	M. Knivet m.	legs	(his Nails.
28	c	Term ends	legs	whilest Tom bears logs into the
29	d	Wed. go out	feet	(Hall,
30	e	St Andrew	feet	And Milk comes frozen home in
				(Pails.

Observations on November.

The Term still holds, Lawyers to Clyents cost
 Fill full their purses, feed on boild and roast.
 The days grow short, cold weather now approaches,
 Poor men do walk on foot, rich ride in Coaches.

1	Rogue the Register	7	38	4	22	
2	John Ven	7	39	4	21	Great preparation fo
3	Guido, Faux	7	41	4	19	Nets to boy! Cabbage in
4	Now Guido Faux	7	42	4	18	which a portion of <i>Mer</i>
5	with mischief arm'd	7	44	4	16	cury in a Trine, with Sa
6	The Pt. thought	7	46	4	14	turn, doth portend will
7	to have harm'd ;	7	47	4	13	be very plentiful. <i>Mer</i>
8	But God his Treason	7	49	4	11	is retrograde and look
9	did abhor it,	7	51	4	9	asquint upon <i>Venus</i> , thi
10	He taken was	7	52	4	8	will make the <i>Lovye</i>
11	and hanged for it.	7	54	4	6	fullen, and refuse to take
12	Devil of Malcon	7	55	4	5	mony of their Clyents ;
13	Henry Treton .	7	57	4	3	truly if it should be so, i
14	James Chaloner	7	58	4	2	would be wonderful. <i>Sa</i>
15	Will Dell	8	0	4	0	and <i>Luna</i> keep their ow
16	Devil of Edmonton	8	1	3	59	stations, so that as far a
17	Arthur of Bradley	8	3	3	57	it can be judged, the
18	Jack Adams	8	4	3	56	days and nights are like
19	Now my old friend	8	5	3	55	to be of the same length
20	at the Queens head,	8	7	3	53	as they have been
21	A Glass of Sack	8	8	3	52	other Winters about this
22	will do us good.	8	9	3	51	time. We may probab
23	which if I then	8	10	3	50	bly hear of much cut
24	do come to Town,	8	11	3	49	ting of Throats, for
25	we certainly	8	12	3	48	it is judged there will be
26	will swallow down.	8	12	3	48	many Swine killed
27	John Blackston	8	13	3	47	this time.
28	Wandering Jew	8	14	3	46	
29	Knipperdolling	8	14	3	46	
30	John James	8	15	3	45	

December hath x x x i. daies.

Full Moon 7 day, at 8 in the forenoon.

Last quarter 14 day, at 10 at night.

New Moon 22 day, at 10 at night.

First quarter 29 day, at midnight.

1	f	Elegius Bish.	head	
2	g	Bibiana	and	Now Christmas like a martial man,
3	a	Lucius	face	With Basting-ladle, Dripping pan,
4	b	Barbara	neck	With Spit and Pot-lid being arm'd;
5	c	Sabine	neck	The Butchers Shambles bath alarm'd;
6	d	Nicholas	arms	He laies about him, and here falls
7	e	Sund. in Ad.	arms	Owen and Sheep on Butcher's Stalls;
8	f	Concept. Mary	breast	By several ways end lives Indentures,
9	g	Cyprian	breast	Some hang up by the feet on Tenters;
10	a	Miltiades	heart	Others disjointed limb from limb,
11	b	Sun in Capr	heart	For to do homage unto him;
12	c	Paul Bish.	bowels	Thus is his entrance accosted
13	d	Lucie Virg.	and	With several Meats, Boil'd, Bak'd and
14	e	Sund. in Ad.	belly	(Roasted:
15	f	Valerie	reins	Nor is his stomach thereby flak'd;
16	g	O sapientia	reins	He feeds on Puddings Boil'd and baked;
17	a	Ember week	secrets	Neither doth that him satisfy,
18	b	Sabbastian.	secrets	He eats Plumb-porridge, Furmity,
19	c	Nemesius	secrets	Minc'd Pies, some lesser and some bigger
20	d	Julian fast.	thighs	He in their bellies is a digger;
21	e	Thom. A. 00	thighs	Goose, Swan, Duck, Mallard, Capon,
22	f	Theodosius	knees	(Pullet
23	g	S. Al. Car. m	knees	Do all of them swim down his Gullet;
24	a	40 Virgins	legs	Pigs, Rabbits, Pasties, Apple-tarts,
25	b	Christmas d.	legs	With many things more by Cooks arts
26	c	St Stephen	legs	Rarely devis'd; and then strong Beer
27	d	S John Evan	feet	For to wash down all this good Cheer:
28	e	Innocents	feet	Tea in some Houses there's no lack
29	f	M. Pitcher	head	Of brusk neat Clarrat, sprightly Sack,
30	g	David	head	Methoglin, Cider and stout Perry,
31	a	Silvester.	neck	With other Liquors to make merry.

Observations on December.

Now for a Bale of Dice made of the bones
Of a dead Usurer, those are things for th^e nones;
Who plays and cheats with them, things may befall
That he thereby may get the Devil and all.

1 Alderman Hoyle	8 16 3 44	
2 Instead of Physick,	8 16 3 44	This month will be
3 Pills and Potions,	8 17 3 43	more employment for
4 Which in our bellies	8 17 3 43	Cooks and Fiddlers, than
5 make such motions,	8 18 3 42	for Reapers and Hay-
6 Now drink good Sack,	8 18 3 42	makers. These long
7 laugh and be jolly,	8 18 3 42	nights shall cause such
8 'Twill cure thee of	8 19 3 41	longing thoughts, that
9 all melancholy.	8 19 3 41	young Wenches hearts
10 Blue-beard	8 19 3 41	shall melt even like
11 Henry Smith	8 19 3 41	froze Taps wrapt about
12 James Guthrey	8 19 3 41	with hot Dishcloths. The
13 John Alured	8 19 3 41	hot smell of Roast Beef
14 Muir Priccaux	8 19 3 41	and Minced Pies, shall
15 Vavasor Powel	8 19 3 41	much offend those
16 Mother Cumey	8 18 3 42	squeazy stomachs that
17 Jillian of Croyden	8 18 3 42	can't come at them. <i>Taps</i>
18 Mephostophiles	8 18 3 42	<i>ter</i> is retrograde to <i>Mars</i> ,
19 Dirty Doll	8 17 3 43	this and the cold wea-
20 Peg Lemon	8 17 3 43	ther will make men lie
21 Now Spades be useless	8 16 3 44	close to their Wives.
22 in the field,	8 16 3 44	Conclude the year. If
23 The ground so hard	8 15 3 45	you can with getting of
24 it will not yield;	8 14 3 46	money, but get it ho-
25 Your Gallants, and	8 14 3 46	nestly, for fear you
26 your Ladies they	8 13 3 47	catch your deaths of
27 use them and Clubs	8 12 3 48	Squire Ketches disease;
28 now in their play.	8 12 3 48	and end your days by a
29 Tho. Wogah	8 11 3 49	Hempen Squinancy.
30 Tinker of Bedford	8 10 3 50	
31 Floyd the Comber	8 9 3 51	

A Table of Interest at 6 l. per Cent.

Shillings	1 Month		3 Month		6 Month		9 Month		a Year	
	p	fs	p	fs	p	s	p	fs	p	f
5	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	3	0	2
10	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	3	2	0
15	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	5	1	0
20	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	6	0	0
25	0	0	5	0	4	0	0	7	0	0
30	0	0	6	0	5	0	0	8	0	0
35	0	0	7	0	6	0	0	9	0	0
40	0	0	8	0	7	0	0	10	0	0
45	0	0	9	0	8	0	0	11	0	0
50	0	0	10	0	9	0	0	12	0	0
55	0	0	11	0	10	0	0	13	0	0
60	0	0	12	0	11	0	0	14	0	0
65	0	0	13	0	12	0	0	15	0	0
70	0	0	14	0	13	0	0	16	0	0
75	0	0	15	0	14	0	0	17	0	0
80	0	0	16	0	15	0	0	18	0	0
85	0	0	17	0	16	0	0	19	0	0
90	0	0	18	0	17	0	0	20	0	0
95	0	0	19	0	18	0	0	21	0	0
100	0	0	20	0	19	0	0	22	0	0

Pounds	1 Month		3 Month		6 Month		9 Month		a Year	
	l	s	l	s	l	s	l	s	l	s
10	0	1	0	0	3	0	6	0	9	0
20	0	2	0	0	6	0	12	0	18	0
30	0	3	0	0	9	0	18	0	27	0
40	0	4	0	0	12	0	24	0	36	0
50	0	5	0	0	15	0	30	0	45	0
60	0	6	0	0	18	0	36	0	54	0
70	0	7	0	0	21	0	42	0	63	0
80	0	8	0	0	24	0	48	0	72	0
90	0	9	0	0	27	0	54	0	81	0
100	0	10	0	0	30	0	60	0	90	0

This Table useleſs is I do ſuppoſe
 To Poets, Almsmen, Serving-men, all thoſe ;
 For as for Poets though their Coin be ſcant,
 They want for nothing, 'cauſe they nothing want.
 Almsmen provided are by Benefactors,
 Who for the publick good were publick Aſtors.
 And Serving-men they need not borrow chink,
 Whoſe Maſters find them both Clothes, Meat and Drink.
 It is the needy Tradeſman, Prodigal,
 By whom the Uſurer gets the Devil and all.

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A

PROGNOSTICATION

For the Year of our Lord

God 1679.

Wherein is a most emphaticall description of the four Quarters of the Year, their beginning, ending, and temperature; The number and nature of the Eclipses which will happen this year, and Astrological conjectures of what they may import or signifie, also an Astrological Scheme of very much importance as you may find by the view of it: and this year we have likewise given our Astrologick judgment upon Dreams, and a sure and certain medicine for the cure of the Scurvy, beyond the cunning of Galen or Hippocrates, also the exact time when thou mayest marry, but be sure be provided of a Wife before thou undertake it.

Calculated according to Art for the Meridian of England, and may without sensible error serve for any other Country besides where they do understand the English tongue.

*This is the substance of the second Part,
Which we have calculated with much Art,
And hope that this our labour, pains and cost,
Will please the wisest men though not the most.*

L O N D O N,

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The Vulgar Notes of the Year 1679.

In both accounts, viz.

Julian or Englilh.			Gregorian or Foreign.
	8	The Golden Number	8
	8	Cycle of the Sun	8
	Ⓒ	Dominical Letter	Ⓒ
	28	Epact	18
	2	Roman Indiction	2
	30	Number of Direction	33
February	16	Septuagesima	19 January
March	5	Ash-wednesday	15 February
March	9	Quadragesima	19 February
April	20	Easter day	2 April
May	24	Rogation Sunday	7 May
May	29	Holy Thursday	11 May
June	8	White-Sunday	21 May
June	15	Trinity Sunday	28 May
November	20	Advent Sunday	2 December

Times Prohibiting Marriage.

MARRIAGE comes in on the 13 of *January*, and by *Septuagesima* Sunday it is out again, until the *Octaves* of *Easter*, or day after *Low-Sunday*; at which time it comes in again, and goes no more out till *Rogation* Sunday, for *Rogamen vestit*, from whence it is forbidden again until *Trinity* Sunday, when it goes out, and comes not in again untill *St. Hilary*, or 13 of *January* next after.

*Thus briefly is presented to your sights
 Whenas you may perform the marriage Rites,
 And this also doth shew unto you plain
 Theseveral times whenas you should refrain.
 Who lights on a good Wife he has a blessing
 Far better than all words of my expressing,
 But let me tell ye friends ('tis truth I say)
 Such blessings do not happen every day.*

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Of the Eclipses this present year, 1679.

WE find by the rules of our unerring Star-gazing As-trology, that we shall have this year no less than four Eclipses, two of the refulgent Planet *Sol*, or the Sun; and two of Madam *Cynthia* or the Moon: so that you may perceive by this we shall have four in all; and now you know the number of them, if you have the patience to read a little further, you shall likewise know when and where they happen, that we may (if it were possible) make you as wise as the best As-trologer of them all.

The first then of these is an Eclipse of the Sun, which happens on the 31 day of *March*, at 7 a clock at night. Now by reason the Sun sets with us 16 minutes before that time, 'tis a thousand pound to a nutshell we shall see no Eclipse in *England* at that time, because (as I told you before) we shall see no Sun. 'Tis celebrated in 21 degrees of *Aries*, or the horned *Ram*, therefore Gallants beware your forehead, for it signifies plenty of Cuckolds, but whether in *England*, or in *New-France* and the adjacent Islands, where it will be almost a total defect, we profess we know no more than my Lord Mayors Horse, nor perhaps so much neither.

The second is an Eclipse of the Moon, on the fifteenth of *April*, in the Evening, at or about

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the tenth hour, as our Brother Fox notes in his Treatise of the danger of eating minced Pies at Christmas. It happens in 6 degrees of *Scorpio* (what this *Scorpio* is we told you in our Almanack of 1677.) it will not be much visible to us, that is as much as to say but a little, but we Prognosticate it will be very conspicuous to those people who live in *Hungary, Dalmatia, Polonia, Prussia, and Lapland* where the Witches are, who sell Mariners a Bag of wind to blow them home, and must not they needs go whom the Devil drives? And now I talk of *Lapland*, I will tell you a story concerning that Country may be as profitable to you as if I had given you my very best judgment what this Eclipse doth signifie.

It is death in *Lapland* to marry a maid without her parents or friends consent, wherefore if one bear affection to a young maid, upon the breaking thereof to her friends, the fashion is that a day is appointed for their friends to meet, to behold the two young parties to run a Race together. The Maid is allowed in starting, the advantage of a third part of the Race, so that it is impossible, except willing of herself, that she should be overtaken. If the maid over-run her Suitor, the matter is ended, he must never have her, it being penal for the man again to renew the motion of marriage. But if the Virgin hath an affection for him, though at the first running hard to try the truth of his love, she will (without *Atalanta's* golden

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golden balls to retard her speed) pretend some casualty, and make a voluntary halt before she cometh to the mark or end of the race. Thus none are compelled to marry against their own wills; and this is the cause that in this poor Country the married people are richer in their own contentment, than in other Lands where so many forced Matches make feigned love and real unhappiness.

But to return again to write of the Eclipses, the third of which is of the Sun, and happens on the 24 day of *September*, at six a clock in the Evening, in 11 degrees of *Libra*, or the equal Ballance, a Sign very ominous to some kind of knavish Tradesmen. Now this Eclipse cannot be seen of us, because it happens 23 minutes after the Sun is set, from whence we may infallibly conclude, that it will be invisible unto us. But unto such people that inhabit *New Zeland*, the Island of *S. Peter*, &c. or that Navigate in the *Pacifique* Ocean, it will be as visible as the nose on a mans face that hath a nose, as a scolding woman at *Billingsgate* in Oyster time, or as a great Belly on a young woman that hath been married near three Quarters of a year. And if you would know what this Eclipse doth portend, amongst other things I shall predict you this for one, that a great many of our young Gallants shall decline marriage, and take Mistresses, by which they gain diseases in their youth, to make a wife necessary

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for a Nurse in their old age; and things taken by way of necessity, can lay no charge upon them for defect of reason.

The fourth and last Eclipse we shall have this year, will be of the Moon, on *October* the 9th day, at our eleven a Clock before noon, in 26 degrees of *Ariet* or the *Ram*, which signifies that Cuck-olds may be made as well at the fall of the Leaf as in the Spring: It will be visible in the *Antipodes*, and cannot be seen here and there too, because the opacous body of the earth doth interpose: but if it be a serene day, you may then see the Sun shine, which if you have a journey to travel at that present, will do you far more courtesy than the Eclipse.

These Eclipses, in general do portend great fondness and fickleness in women, whose love (like breath on steel) will be soon on and quickly off, being all in extremes, either too forward, or too froward; too courteous or too coy; too willing or too wilful, too merciful or merciless; too loving or too loathing; too friendly or too fiendly; the mean they alway meanly account of; and by this frowardness or averfeness of women we may safely predict that few men with their wives will go to *Dunmow Priory* to claim a *Flitch of Bacon*, because those who are to have it must humbly kneel on their knees on two stones at the Church door, and there take this ensuing Oath,

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You shall swear by the Custom of our conf. sion,
That you never made any Nuptial transgression
Since you were Married Man and Wife
By household brawls or contentious strife,
Or otherwise in bed or at board,
Offended each other in deed or word :
Or since the Parish Clark said Amen,
Wished your selves unmarried agen,
Or in a twelve-month and a day,
Repented not in thought any way ;
But continued true and in desire
As when you joyn'd hands in holy Quire.

If to these conditions without all fear,
Of your own accord you will freely swear ;
A Gammon of Bacon you shall receive
And bear it hence with love and good leave :
For this is our custom at Danmow well known,
Though the sport be ours, the Bacon's your own.

Thus seeing the people that receive this gift must
be thus qualified ; I suppose most men that con-
vey their wives thither, may sooner return home
with two sides of a Sow than one fitch of Bacon.

There splendent spangle of the azured Skye, the
glorious Planet *Venus*, is our *Phosphorus* or Mor-
ning Star until the 28 of *January*, at which time
having made her conjunction with the Sun she be-
comes our *Hesperus* or Evening Star, and so con-
tinues till the 11th. of *November*, after which to
the end of the year she will be Oriental of the
Sun and our bright morning Star again.

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*This doth fair Venus with her twinkling Eye
In a disorder'd order gild the Skie;
Steering her course so that who on her looks
Would think that she were govern'd by our Books.*

A description of the four Quarters of the Year, and first of the Spring.

THE ever welcom Spring according to the opinion of our ablest Astronomers, as also of that great Rabbi Erra-pater the Jewish Astrologer, begins at or upon the tenth day of *March*, at which time the Sun enters into the Equinoctial sign of *Aries* or the *Ram*, a horned Creature, and as *John Taylor* saith,

*The very Ram that bore the Golden Fleece
Which Jason brought from Colchos into Greeke.*

And as concerning Shepherds that keep these Rams and Ewes, hear what *Martin Parker* that rare songster saies,

*In secure silence wears away his time,
And on his oaten Pipe doth chant his rime.*

And in another lilio he thus hath it,

The life of a Shepherd is void of all care, &c.

But you will say, what is this of Rams & Shepherds to the purpose? Well I say it is to the purpose, and to as much purpose as some of my Brother Astrologers write, when they predict things that never come to pass. But now we pass to tell you other things of it. In this Quarter are very much practis'd the commendable exercises of Nine pins, Pigeon holes, Stool ball and Barly-break by reason Easter Holy days, Whitsun holy days & May day do fall in this Quarter. Besides the Lenten have a Holy day in this Quarter very considerable, viz. *Lady day*, which makes them more merry than any of the Holy days aforesaid. This Quarter is also the Physicians Harvest, wherein they purge mens bodies and pockets. It is also a very comfortable Quarter to Hostesses and Taps-sters, for now men begin to drink in penny Cans, of which
about

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about six of them fill a two-penny Flaggon. But as this Quarter hath a great many good qualities in it, so it hath likewise some bad; for therein it is bad for any man to break his neck, to be carried to prison for debt, &c. and which I had almost forgot, it is very bad therein marrying a shrew,

*Who with her scolding voice so loud will thunder,
As if that she would rend the Clouds asunder.*

Of Summer.

THE Summer is the second Quarter of the year, and the reason is because it is not the first, nor the third, nor the fourth, and there being but four Quarters in all, then by consequence this must needs be the second. It begins at such time when the Spring ends, which according to the account of the skillful in Astronomy is on the 11 day of June, when the burning Torch of Heaven, the illustrious Planet *Phæbus* doth enter into the Solstitial Sign of *Cancer*, making the longest day in all the year, by which it may be judged it will be the shortest night. This Quarter being very hot, men will have more appetite to drink than to eat, and a great many people more desirous to do either of them than to work.

*When laziness in people it doth lurk,
They'd rather far to eat and drink than work.*

This Quarter the Stars will be in that predicament that about the streets of *London* will be heard a great cry by women, of *Strawberries*, *Cherries*, *green-Peascods*, and *Mackrel*; but (as I told you before) the weather will be so hot, that some drunken Jades will spend all their money in liquor, which shall make them to cry for want of what to cry withal. There will be little employment now for Oyster-women nor Lawyers, though at other times they can bawl so loud and so long, you would think they fed upon nothing but green liquorish. Honesty in Horse-couriers shall melt away like a pound of Butter

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Better against the heat of a fire; and your Ladies of Pleasure, quite contrary to other Medlars or open arses, shall neither be good ripe nor rotten. It is a very delightful quarter to the Beggars, who now can take up their lodging under a Hedge or Hay-cock.

*A lazy people, whose hourly wants implore
Each meals relief, trudging from door to door;
That fear no dialect of churlish lips,
But news of Beadles, and their torturing whips.*

Of Autumn.

AUTUMN, apple-time, or the fall of the leaf, beginneth at the Sun's entrance into the Equinoctial sign *Libra*, or the equal Ballance, a hateful sign to some knavish kind of Tradesmen; this is on the 12 day of September, or as the Quaker saith on the twelfth day of the seventh month. Now the nights growing cold, makes many Batchellors mind marrying, and so wedding in haste repent at leisure, for chasing of wives is like to drawing in the Lottery, where for one prize a man may meet with twenty blanks. We finde by our art that there may be much Cider made this Quarter; but if there should be no Apples growing, both *Haly* and *Albumazer* say the contrary. The *Stars* seem to intimate that in this and the foregoing Quarter there will be made great store of Cheese, which being roasted against the fire, according to the opinion of *Shon ap Williams*, *ap Jenkins*, *ap Jones*, a *Welsh* Astrologer is very wholesome delicious food. And now we talk of *Wales*, I think it not amiss to give you here the pedigree of a *Welsh* Cheese.

Adams nawn Cusson was her by her birth,

Ap Curds, ap Milk, ap Cow, ap Grass, ap Earth.

We have little else to say of this Quarter, but that it ushers in the eating of Pork, putting toasts in drink, and using of warming Pans; though *Peter Aretine* an *Italian* Astrologer, says there are no such warming Pans as the Bedfellows; but the learned *John Taylor* in his *Treatise of Mathematical Jim-cracks* hath these words. *Base*

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Base light-beel'd Curlew, of nature evil,

Are Hackney Fades, carry men to the Devil.

Which being an undoubted truth, and an undeniable Maxim, it shall therefore conclude the description of this third Quarter of the year.

Of Winter.

Winter (which the Butchers account the best Quarter of all the year, because their meat then is not subject to be fly-blown,) beginneth at *Hyperions* entrance into the Southern Tropical sign *Capricorn*, making the artificial days shortest, and the nights not only long, but very cold, by which we may safely predict that warming-Pans will be very necessary about this time. Now the *Thames* coming to be frozen over will be a great means to teach a *Waterman* manners, which nothing else but a great *Prelis* can do. Women will now be-think what is good for themselves, and will find *Sack-possers* and *Cawdles* very comfortable, for so says *Albuzor* and *Tycho Brache*.

Sack-possers they are good for wambling bellies,

And Cawdles comfortable are as Jellies.

I suppose we shall have either frost or snow this Quarter, or else it will differ from all the winters this hundred and fifty years since, as near as I can remember; which frost will be very advantageous to those Boys who are addicted to sliding on the Ice, when as

The frost doth cast an Ice-cream

Upon the Lakes and Crystal stream.

Besides these there are four other Quarters, of very great consequence, which are as followeth.

The first is the four Quarters in *Moor Fields*, where the Women and Maids dry their Cloaths.

The second is that weapon which Fencers use, called the Quarter-Staff.

The third is when men keep a Quarter with their Wives.

And

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And the fourth is when Women keep a Quarter with their husbands, for not keeping a Quarter with them first.

The Astrological Scheme.



THIS Scheme (for ought that I know) may puzzle a wiser man than an Astrologer to know what it signifies; but seeing no people are more daring, and that I can but do as the rest of my brethren, to guess either right or wrong, I will (as near as I can) give you the true meaning thereof.

First then you see here is twelve Houses besides a great one in the midst, inhabited by the knave of Clubs and the Queen of Sluts, so that there is in all a Bakers dozen: but that Bakers should have thirteen to their dozen,

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zen, because of these thirteen Houses, I cannot believe, because I suppose Bakers, have as little to do in Heaven as other Tradesmen. Nor can we think that in the seventh House where *Libra* rules the most, that it is inhabited by only Grocers, Hop-merchants, and such as use the Balance; no verily, because that Balance there is of so just and equal a poize; other Tradesmen for ought I know, may have as good right to that place as they; and therefore in stead of the equal Balance, we have placed there *Don Quixot* the Spanish Knight-Errant, who was in his time a great killer of Gyants, and counterter of Windmills.

And so in the first House in stead of *Aries* or the Ram, we have placed *Kilmaddock* the Butcher, who killeth the Rams, as the vanquisher ought to be placed before the vanquished; and this we have done the rather for the sake of *Hugh Peters*, who courted *Kilmaddock Brindle*, and was a great lover of the Mutton.

So likewise in the second House, in stead of the Bull, a horned Creature, we have placed *Alec*, who also had horns, and therefore by consequence must needs be a Cuckold, and yet Reader take notice that there have been more Cuckolds than he.

In the third House, instead of *Gemini*, we have placed *Tom Scot* the Rumper, because when he was in Conjunction with the Bone-lace wench of *Wickham*, they seemed like the picture of *Gemini*. Of this *Tom Scot* it is said that during the time of the *Rump Parl.* several Fanatics went about to petition to their *Rogue Ships* that this prime *Rumper* for his extraordinary great service in the Cause, might have a Statue of Brass erected for him; but coming to one (whom they thought better affected to their cause than he was) to have his hand to their petition; he told them that he thought a statue of Brass would not be so convenient, there being such a great scarcity of money at that time, but a wooden Gibbet would be far cheaper, and (as he thought) would become him better.

In the fourth House, in stead of *Cancer* or the Crab we have placed a very crabbed fellow, even *Colonel Hussy* who

was in his time in upright terror of those who trod awry; or in plain English, no better than a single eyed, single soal'd Cobler.

And so likewise in the fifth House, we have placed *Dick Tarlin*: the Jester in stead of *Leo* or the *Lyon*; and our reason is: because if we should have any occasion for intelligence out of this House, it were safer for us to Traffick with him for it, than to have any thing to do with so curst a Beast as a *Lyon*.

The sixth House we have not much altered, finding therein *Virgo* or the *Maid*; now that a maid of above five thousand years standing may be in Heaven; we will believe; but a maid on earth of above twenty years of age, I do assure ye is something rare.

Of the seventh House we spake before.

For the eighth House, in stead of the stinging *Scorpion*, we have placed *Moll Cutpurse*, who had a swinging Tongue of her own: and that the tongue is a stinging member, Ple be judged by any Hen-peeck fellow in all our Country.

In the ninth house in stead of *Sagittarius* or the *Archer*, we have placed the *Horse-fac'd Tartar*, who fought against the valiant Count *Serini*; Now if you ask us why we have placed him here, truly we think if he be not to be found here, he never was, nor will be found in any other place.

In the tenth House we have placed *Madam Moders* or the *German Princess*, in stead of *Capricorn*, or the *Goat*: she was the most dexterous and handy in her profession of any one of her sex, ever since the days of the renowned *Madam Frith* alias *Moll Cutpurse*.

To the eleventh House belonged *Aquarius*, who was a true picher-man, as you may see by his picture in the Book of knowledge, and several other Books, in stead of whom we have placed *For the Tinker*, who was as true a picher-man as any *Banbury Tinker* of them all; this fellow when the Kingdom was rent by faction, undertook to mend the Common-wealth, but Tinker-like in stead of mending one breach he made two

And

And lastly for *Pisces* or the *Fishes*, because many people do not know what *Fishes* they are, we have named them *old Ling*, which being either boiled or broyled with a dish of mustard, will make a brace of saving mens beards to wag.

*Thus the twelve Houses are anatomized
After the newest way was e're devised;
To tell you this and that thing which they signify,
It were too much my Labours for to dignify;
Let us live honestly, do nought that's vicious,
And doubt not but the Stars will be propitious;
But those who will be hanged e're they munde,
A halter choak them, and so there's an end.*

Astrological Judgments upon Dreams.

THE man that dreams of Tanners, Butchers, Sow-gelders, Huntsmen & Horn-book-makers, it is a great sign he will prove a Cuckold, for all those Trades deal in Horns.

For a batchellor to dream of hanging, rib-roasting, crying, cornuting, scolding, brawling or fighting, it is an assured sign he will be married soon after.

To dream of Gold, silver, kisses, roast-meat, Claret, Sack, Bottle-Ale and March Beer, is a sign of ill luck, because the party has not them.

On the contrary, to dream of Thieves, prisons, Highway Men, whores, Rogues & Compounders is good luck, if he do but only dream, & is never troubled with them.

To dream of Marrying and entering into Bond, is a great sign of tribulation.

And very often I have heard it said

That maids by dreams have lost their maidenhead.

Lastly, to dream of finding honesty in whores, Bauds, Hectors, Trappanners, Cut-purses, Home-courers, shoul-derclappers, Brokers, and Usurers, it is a vain thing, and signifies a great weakness of the brain.

This if that Morpheus sendeth you a dream,

And you desire to know what it doth mean,

These

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*These general rules examining the case
Show it as plain as nose doth grow on face;
Let none unto them then give a denial,
But having dreamed let them make a trial.*

A good Medicine for the Scurvy either in Man or Woman.

TAKE five Spoonfuls of the Oyle of Flint, two drams of *Compound-
ing Dicks* honesty, three quarters of a Pint of water distilld
from six hempen Halcers, three scruples of *Bonny Franks* hypocrisy,
mixed with the like quantity of *Hugh Peters* chastity, to which
add four grains of the Elixir of Complements passed betwixt *Tom
Scot* and the Bone-lace wench of *Wickam*. Let these ingredients boil
the space of two hours in a silver Caldron made of the Thimbles
& Bodkins taken up upon the publick Faith; then skim it with the
basting ladle of Presbytery, and put it into the dripping Pan of
Independency, and when it is cold let the party grieved take a
quantity of it morning and evening.

Conclusion.

THUS have I finisht my Prognostication,
And hope 'twill give content unto the Nation.
*If any one do at it, take exceptions
And think I have particular reflections,
As sure as Eggs are Eggs, and that's enough,
The same are guilty who it take in snuff.
I must confess that knavery doth lie
So partly in my way, to pass it by
I cannot do it, but must give a touch on't,
Let the most Knave that is think near so much on't;
This made me say 'twas Honesties confounding
To feign a Break, and cheat men by compounding,
And to such cheating Knaves I plainly tell
Though they thrive here, they'l after hang in Hell;
I wish they for their faults may have contrition,
If not, may Squire Dunns man be their Physician.*

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